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Comments :PLEASE DO NOT push the date for compliance for nitrogen reductions by wastewater treatment plants into Jordan Lake back from 2011 to 2016!

I am asking for the original nitrogen implementation date of 2011 to be put back in. Please, I urge the state to delay no longer on getting the rules passed.

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2.

Comments :Re: Haw River

I would like to see the the original nitrogen implementation date of 2011 be retained.

Constant rule changes and backsliding on agreed upon restrictions and compliance are ruining North Carolina's natural resources. Changes made to suit the few are having a long-term, negative impact on the many.

DENR is supposed to be working for the benefit of the entire state and it's citizens.

Category :Complaint

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3.

Comments :Dear NCDENR:

I urge you to reinstate the original nitrogen reduction deadline of 2011 for wastewater treatment plants discharging into Jordan Lake. The current deadline of 2016 is dangerous and unacceptable.

Thank you for your attention.

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Category :Request

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4.

Comments :As a Chatham county resident, I insist that the State do more to protect Jordan Lake from nitrogen pollution by implementing

rules/regulations to reduce nitrogen levels no later than 2011. Study results in '02 were published showing that nitrogen is causing impairment at the lake. The Upper New Hope Arm of Jordan Lake was added to the EPA ?Impaired Waters List?.

In '05 the entire lake was put on the ?Impaired Waters? list. NC General Assembly passed the ?Drinking Water Reservoir Protection Act?. One of its provisions is a moratorium on any new or increased wastewater permits in the Jordan Lake watershed until the nutrient rules are passed. However, the state has not enacted any rules to reduce nutrient pollution in Jordan Lake; in the meantime the population and sources of nutrient pollution continue to grow.

Now, due to the opposition of local governments that discharge wastewater and storm water into Jordan Lake?s watershed, the rules that DWQ brought before the EMC Water Quality Committee are weakened in several areas.

The date for compliance for nitrogen reductions by wastewater treatment plants has been pushed back from 2011 to 2016! This is unacceptable - Jordan Lake cannot handle an additional 5 years of nitrogen pollution without severely compromising its uses for drinking water and recreation.

At the EMC's upcoming meeting March 7-8, where the Jordan Lake nitrogen issue will be discussed, I urge you to reinstate the original nitrogen implementation date of 2011, and implement regulations/rules immediately to protect Jordan Lake from further nitrogen pollution.

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5.

Comments :Could you please have a vision for the future of our water supply in Chatham? No water, no life... All water is connected in the world...Do we really need more houses? Please!!! take care of our water supply Now! Represent the PEOPLE and that means everyone you love too.

Category :Complaint

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6.

Comments :Please reinstate the 2011 deadline to implement nitrogen reductions. Lake Jordan is a precious resource, we need your help to protect it. Thank you.

Category :Request

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Comments :The time to act is now. Please act to implement nitrogen reductions for Jordon Lake no later than 2011.

Category :Request

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8.

Comments :I urge you to AT ONCE cut back on nitrogen pollution of Jordan Lake, and to assure that that cut-back is in full compliance of the 1980's orders re safe-water.

Category :Request

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9.

Comments :Jordon Lake is the largest single geographical feature of Chatham County. Just driving across it demonstrates that it is in trouble. You must not delay in enforcing regulations to maintain its viability. We must not wait for a disaster to occur that could be avoided. Clean potable water is essential to the health and vitality of the region. Is there a possibility of the federal government taking steps under the Clean Water Act? If so, that would be deplorable.

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10.

Comments :Three years ago we move to Chatham County from the Asheville area where I had been on the staff of the Asheville/Buncombe Water Dept. Standards for drinking water there were outstanding, and I'm very concerned about the degradation of water quality here in Jordan Lake. We should be working NOW to improve our drinking water source. Let's return to the 2011 deadline for reducing nitrogen in Jordan Lake. Let's offer greatly improved oversight and guidance of entities that direct their wastewater and storm water into Jordan Lake.

Category :Request

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11.

Comments :Get the rules passed to protect Jordan Lake.Enforce the "Drinking Water Reservoir Protection Act". The original nitrogen reductions implementation date of 2011 needs to be enforced. The entire lake is now 'Impaired' from the lack of action. It is ridiculous that nothing is being done and that it has been known since 1983 that Jordan Lake is 'Nutrient Sensitive'.

Category :Request

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12.

Comments :Please implement the nitrogen reduction rules by at least 2011 for Jordan Lake and do not delay longer on getting the rules passed. We need the Environmental Management Commission to stand firm for the protection of our drinking water coming from this impaired Jordon Lake.

Category :Request

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Comments :I am urging you to implement nitrogen limits at the original date of 2011. I live near Jordan lake, which is already classified as impaired, and it serves as an important source of drinking water. We cannot afford to let this lake, as well as others in our state become even

more polluted. These restrictions on nitrogen will help to clean our lakes.

Category :Request

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Comments :Nitrogen in Jordan Lake is going to destroy that source of drinking water. Then the Triangle area quality of life will be trashed. Wealthy people will move away. Poor people will riot. DENR?

Category :Website

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16.

Comments :Jordan Lake is too important to our state to allow contamination from nitrogen which could render this resource impotable. I ask that this agency produce for public review the scientific data supporting the 5 year delay in enforcement of the water rules will not significant impact on water quality. If there is no such data, I ask that the enforcement begin in 2011 without further delay.

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To: Members of the NC Environmental Management Commission
From: Elaine Chiosso, Executive Director, Haw River Assembly
Date: March 6, 2007
Re: Jordan Reservoir Nutrient Management Rules - Nitrogen Reduction Implementation

The Haw River Assembly (along with the Southern Environmental Law Center and Environment NC) provided EMC members with written comments (January 3, 2007) expressing concern that several provisions in the current draft of the Nutrient Rules for the Jordan Reservoir Watershed have been significantly weakened. Of primary concern is the delayed date for implementation of WWTP nitrogen reductions

The deadline for implementation of new nitrogen reductions was changed from 2011 (in the May 2006 draft rules) to 2016 in the current draft. The revised deadline is yet another extension that pushes the schedule for any action to almost 20 years after the state first proposed nitrogen reductions in nutrient sensitive waters such as Jordan Lake. Although we remain concerned that the original date of 2011 creates a high risk potential for threats to water quality associated with excessive algae growth, the 2016 deadline will even further jeopardize the health and future of Jordan Lake, without adequate safeguards in place..

We believe that this deadline was reached to accommodate concerns by local governments, particularly those who discharge into the Haw River arm of the lake. However, we do not feel that the concerns of the public who drink the water from the reservoir, and use it for recreation have been equally heard. The Chatham County Board of Commissioners approved a resolution on February 19, 2007 requesting that the EMC move the nitrogen implementation date back to 2011 in order to safeguard drinking water and recreation use for Jordan Lake. We believe if these rules go to public comment with the 2016 implementation deadline for nitrogen there will be a loud public outcry from those citizens who feel directly affected by the pollution..

We do not wish to delay the rules being sent out for the formal comment period. We do however urge you to make this change at your meeting on March 8, so that we can support the passage of rules that will protect Jordan Lake as soon as possible.

Thank you,

Elaine Chiosso
Executive Director
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Rich Gannon,

Thank you for taking the time to speak with me today concerning the proposed Jordan Lake rules.

We have reviewed the proposed rules in meetings of the Storm Water Working Group (SWWG) that is facilitated by the Western Piedmont Council of Governments (WPCOG). The members of the SWWG are staff from the various local governments that are members of the WPCOG. After our review, we feel that several points need to be made concerning the proposed rules:

- * We are in favor of cleaning up the environment.
- * We feel that we must be good stewards of the environment.
- * The best way to do this is to develop an equitable way that is fair to all of the stakeholders.
- * The proposed rules impose unprecedented requirements on local governments.
- * The majority of pollution load reduction targets and associated costs of compliance will fall to the local governments in the form of WWTP upgrades, additional requirements on new development, retrofits on existing development to be paid for by the local governments, and expansion of local storm water programs.
- * The existing Phase II storm water programs have not been fully implemented.
- * The total costs of all these requirements is highly uncertain, but it must be borne almost exclusively by the local governments. Therefore, the financial burden on local governments is potentially overwhelming.

Terry L. Watts, Chairperson
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My contact information is included below if you have any questions in regards to these comments.

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From the Greensboro News Record

Board opposes rules for water

By Gerald Witt

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WENTWORTH — Proposed pollution controls for Jordan Lake could hurt Rockingham County's ability to attract jobs, the Board of Commissioners said Monday.

Commissioners passed a resolution asking the N.C. Environmental Management Commission to reconsider adopting the rules this summer.

The Haw River watershed, which includes the southern third of Rockingham County, feeds the lake and is included in those rules. Among other standards, they could require existing developments to install or improve storm-water systems, make municipalities upgrade water-treatment plants and impose tougher standards on new developments.

If the rules become stricter in Rockingham, then other counties in the state could have an unfair advantage in attracting jobs over Rockingham County, the resolution said.

"We feel that maybe the state is reacting strongly, and there may be a better way to handle the Jordan Lake situation," county Planning Director Tom Wiggins said Tuesday.

He said there is no guarantee the proposed rules would control the lake's pollution.

The resolution was based on a draft letter from the Piedmont Triad Council of Governments, Wiggins said.

The state environmental commission will hold a hearing on the proposed rules this summer, he said.

The rules outline potential solutions to reduce pollution sources contributing to the lake's proliferating algae blooms.

The blooms can kill fish and make drinking water harder to treat.